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Called Paul Tsompanas, Administrative Assistant to Representative Bob Wilson, (D., Calif.), to raise the question of the CIA report leaked to the San Diego Union. Tsompanas was most apologetic, stating that it had all come about at the end of a long hard day when the Congressman was being badgered by reporters. Tsompanas said he had called one of the reporters and rebuked him for attributing the report to CIA.

2.  Charles Lombard, Minority Counsel, Senate Aeronautical and Space Sciences Committee, called and reported on developments of the Senate Select Committee to Study Governmental Operations with Respect to Intelligence Activities, including a session he had with Bill Miller, Chief Counsel of the Select Committee, the plans for a unified staff, the necessity to be secunded to the Committee when a personal staff member works for a member of the Select Committee and the main effort would be devoted to remedial legislation. Apparently Vice Chairman John Tower (D., Tex.) will pick a minority counsel from the staff of the Senate Armed Services Committee and the bulk of the staff may indeed be made up of lawyers who formerly worked for Sam Dash on the Ervin Select Committee.

3.  John Swearingen, Senate Rules and Administration Committee, called and in response to his query I told him that to our knowledge there was no original CIA material in the Watergate holdings in the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy vault. On this basis, it is Swearingen's belief that Senator Howard Cannon will refer to the Agency all requests for such information since the Agency has the original of the material involved and the Rules and Administration Committee would prefer the requirement for duplicating the material be referred to us. Swearingen said that the transfer of custodianship from George Murphy, Deputy Director, Joint Committee on Atomic Energy to himself will occur shortly and at that time he would like me to join with him in an inventory in the vault. He also said he would like to have a security lecture from us and suggestions of language conditioning the utilization of Agency originated material made available to the Select Committee, etc. Swearingen will call us.

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